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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

GROUP: 1793

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FOR: REFORMING CATALYST FOR HYDROCARBON, METHOD FOR PRODUCING HYDROGEN USING SUCH REFORMING CATALYST, AND FUEL CELL SYSTEM

RESTRICTION RESPONSE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated August 21, 2008, Applicants elect, without traverse, Group I, Claims 19–23, 30–32, and 35, for examination. In addition, Applicants provisionally elect, for examination purposes only, Species I-B (encompassing at least claims 19, 22, 23, 31, 32, and 35).

Applicants respectfully submit that the above-identified application is now in condition for examination on the merits, and early notice thereof is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully Submitted,

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